



The National Mall & Memorial Parks enjoyed an exciting 2005. I would like to share with you some of our accomplishments as well as our plans for the coming year.

As you know, in 2005 we changed the name of the park. We believe our new name, the National Mall & Memorial Parks, will help us to better foster our identity and the role of the National Park Service in caring for the nationally symbolic resources and public spaces within the heart of the Nation's Capital. We also celebrated the newly completed improvements to the Washington Monument grounds and look forward to renovations and a new ticketing location at the Washington Monument Lodge next year.

In 2006 the National Mall & Memorial Parks will begin development of a vision plan for the National Mall. This important planning endeavor will address significant issues, use and management and we look forward to your involvement over the coming months.

Along with the staff of the National Mall & Memorial Parks, I wish you a safe and happy holiday season!



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Superintendent